intelligence grid/network, for on line and real time exchange of information between different agencies as well as between Government of India and the State Governments.

Lending services of CISF to private parties

310. SHRI VARINDER SINGH BAJWA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has decided to lend the services of Central Industrial Security Force to private parties on deputation basis;

(b) if so, the terms and conditions of deputation to private parties and the percentage of the force that would be lent at a particular time; and

(c) what steps are proposed to be taken to recruit the additional personnel required to augment the force during the year 2009-10?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI SRIPRAKASH JAISWAL): (a) The Central Industrial Security Force (Amendment) Ordinance, 2009 authorizes the Central Industrial Security Force (CISF) to provide security to private and joint sector industrial undertakings.

(b) There are already well laid down procedures, terms and conditions for deployment of the CISF in various undertakings. These would appropriately be reviewed in the context of deployment in private sector and joint sector units as may be necessary. It is not possible to indicate the percentage of Force that may be deployed in private sector and joint sector units.

(c) As a part of the ongoing process of recruitment, it is proposed to recruit around 10,000 personnel during 2009-10.

Plan to beef up coastal security following Mumbai attack

311. SHRI AMAR SINGH: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has chalked out any plan to beef up coastal security following the Mumbai terror attacks which resulted in the killing of hundred innocent persons; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and by when those proposals are likely to be implemented?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRIMATI RADHIKA V. SELVI): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. In view of the recent Mumbai incidents, to strengthen coastal security of the country, series of measures have been started. Several meetings were held in Ministry of Home Affairs, Ministry of Defence, Ministry of Shipping, Road Transport and Highways and Ministry of Agriculture to review, upgrade and strengthen the coastal security of the country. The following major decisions/initiatives have been taken by the Government:

- The task of guarding the Indian coastline right from the shoreline (High Tide Line) has been entrusted to the Coast Guard. However, the responsibility of overall maritime security rests with the Indian Navy.